

PHAP19-00007

Date: February 11, 2019

Application Type: Certificate of Appropriateness

Property Owner: 1217 N. Mesa LLC **Representative:** Jonathan Plundo

Legal Description: 10 Alexander 8 To 10 (9516 Sq. Ft.), City of El Paso, El Paso County,

Texas

Historic District: Independent

Location: 1217 N. Mesa Street

Representative District: #8

Existing Zoning: A-3/H (Apartments/Historic)

Year Built: 1917 Historic Status: Landmark

Request: Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of two windows on the

rear façade and infill with brick

 Application Filed:
 2/5/2019

 45 Day Expiration:
 3/22/2019



GENERAL INFORMATION:

The applicant seeks approval for:

Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of two windows on the rear façade and infill with brick

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Historic Preservation Office recommends APPROVAL WITH A MODIFICATION of the proposed scope of work based on the following recommendations:

The Design Guidelines for El Paso's Historic Districts, Sites, and Properties recommend the following:

- Windows in secondary facades shall be reviewed on a case by case basis.
- The size of the door or window opening should not be altered.
- The installation of mechanical equipment, such as air conditioning units, television, radio antennae, satellite dishes, and solar panels often results in a visually cluttered appearance to a building's exterior. Mechanical equipment should be installed in the least-visibly obtrusive location on the building, preferably at the rear of the building. In no case should mechanical equipment be installed on a visually-prominent point on a roof or where it becomes the most noticeable component of the building.
- If a new mechanical system is needed, install it so that it causes the least amount of alteration to the building's exterior facades, historic building fabric, and site features.
- Locate new mechanical equipment and utilities, including heating and air-conditioning units, meters, exposed pipes, and fuel tanks, in the most inconspicuous area, usually along a building's rear façade, screened from public view.

The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation recommend the following:

• New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property.

The modification is that the new brick match the existing as closely as possible.

AERIAL MAP



EXISTING ELEVATION

